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**TWO IMPORTANT PERMITS ARE OBTAINED FOR STORRS CENTER, AS  
PROJECT NEARS COMPLETION OF  
PRE-CONSTRUCTION APPROVAL CYCLE.**

**Storrs, CT...** Storrs Center, the new Main Street development planned across from the University of Connecticut campus, has received two of three final government permits required in the approval process for the project. The Department of the Army New England District Corps of Engineers (ACOE) has authorized work on the project site based on its findings that the activity associated with the development "will have only minimal individual or cumulative impacts on waters of the United States, including wetlands." LeylandAlliance, the Master Developer for Storrs Center will be required to conduct its work in the inland wetlands area of the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of a Federal permit known as the Connecticut Programmatic General Permit (PGP) and in compliance with certain special conditions. The Corps approved a federal wetlands permit to fill .29 acres of degraded wetlands in the project area. The Corps determined that this fill would not have a major impact on the wetlands. The Mansfield Inland Wetlands Agency already approved a local permit for this fill in October 2007. The ACOES

permit is a standard requirement that ensures that, in this instance, responsible measures are undertaken by the developer to leave designated properties protected and unharmed. As part of its overall master plan for Storrs Center, LeylandAlliance had previously pledged to conserve 30 acres of the overall site as wetlands and upland forests.

Concurrently with the ACOE permit, Storrs Center received an approval from the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection for a 401 water quality certification permit for Storrs Center, authorizing the proposed stormwater discharges from the project.

The permit for improvements to Storrs Road is still pending with the Connecticut State Traffic Commission.

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